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PIPERAZINE DERIVATIVES AS 5-HT1B ANTAGONISTS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to calculation of the filing fees and examination of the above noted application, entrance of the following remarks and amendments into the record is respectfully requested.

In the Claims:

Please amend the following claims: ✓

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4. A compound according to claim 1 in which Y is CH₂.
6. A compound according to claim 1 in which W is -CH₂-CH₂- or -CH=CH-.
7. A compound according to claim 1 in which R^c is hydrogen or methyl.
8. A compound according to claim 1 in which R^d and R^e are both methyl.